

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at page 2, lines 1-8, as follows:

The flake composite technology has been known for a long time and is described for example in EP-A 1 097 798, WO 2001/00718, US-A 6 136 870, JP-A 10 193 356, JP-A 09 302 216 ~~JP-A 09 302 219~~, WO 95/29951, ~~WO 95/514055~~ WO 95/14055, EP-A 976 518 and DE-A 29 810 967, as well as G. Oertel, Polyurethane, Kunststoffhandbuch, 3rd Edition, 1993, p. 210; W. Raßhofer, Recycling von Polyurethan-Kunststoffen, Hüthig-Verlag 1994, p. 139, and W. Raßhofer and E. Weigand, Recycling of Automotive Polyurethanes, Technomic Publ., 2001, p. 65.

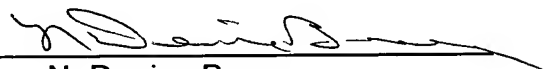
REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to correct inadvertent typographical errors in the specification. In particular, two references were incorrectly listed and the above amendment serves to correct these references such that the correct patent number is contained in the specification. These numbers now correspond to the patent numbers referenced on Applicants' PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments serve only to correct minor deficiencies in the background of their application. No new matter has been added by the above amendments.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

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